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SUBJECT:VISIT TO WASHINGTON OF KING HUSSEIN

1. PLEASE CONVEY TO YOUR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS THE  
FOLLOWING POINTS CONCERNING THE HUSSEIN VISIT.

-- THE APRIL 25-26 DISCUSSIONS OF PRESIDENT CARTER AND  
SECRETARY VANCE WITH KING HUSSEIN COVERED THE MAJOR ISSUES

OF A MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT.

-- THE KING STRESSED THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR THE UNITED STATES TO PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN PEACE SETTLEMENT EFFORTS. PRESIDENT CARTER REITERATED HIS COMMITMENT TO MIDDLE EAST /PEACE AND TO A MAJOR U.S. EFFORT, AS WELL AS THE STRONG SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR JORDAN. BOTH AGREED THAT FAILURE AT GENEVA WOULD HAVE SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES AND THAT IT WAS THEREFORE NECESSARY TO PREPARE THE GROUND WITH CARE IN ORDER TO GO TO GENEVA WITH SOME CONFIDENCE MEANINGFUL PROGRESS WOULD BE ACHIEVED THERE.

-- THE PRESIDENT, LOOKING AHEAD TO THE END OF THE PRESENT PERIOD OF CONSULTATIONS, SAID THAT THEREAFTER HE ANTICIPATED ASKING SECRETARY VANCE TO MAKE ANOTHER TRIP TO THE AREA. IF IT APPEARED AT THAT TIME THAT POSSIBILITIES

EXISTED FOR ACHIEVING PROGRESS AT A GENEVA CONFERENCE, THE U.S. WAS PREPARED TO BE VERY ACTIVE IN PREPARING FOR IT. KING HUSSEIN PUT STRONG EMPHASIS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF KNOWING WHERE WE WERE TO GO AT GENEVA BEFORE A CONFERENCE WAS CONVENED. HE SAID THIS YEAR WOULD HAVE TO SEE SOMETHING ON GENEVA, HOWEVER, AND THAT HE WAS ENCOURAGED ABOUT THE CHANCES AS A RESULT OF HIS VISIT.

-- ON THE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES, WE NOTED, AS WE HAVE WITH OTHER LEADERS, THE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPORTANCE OF STEPS TOWARD NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF SETTLEMENT. KING HUSSEIN INDICATED HIS UNDERSTANDING  
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THAT THE NATURE OF PEACE WOULD HAVE TO BE AN ELEMENT IN SETTLEMENT NEGOTIATIONS.

-- ON THE TERRITORIAL QUESTION, THE KING REAFFIRMED HIS VIEW THAT ISRAEL SHOULD WITHDRAW FROM THE OCCUPIED WEST BANK, WITH THE POSSIBILITY LEFT OPEN FOR MINOR MODIFICATIONS IN THE 1967 LINES, AND FROM EAST JERUSALEM, WITH ARRANGEMENTS TO ASSURE THAT ALL JERUSALEM WAS AN OPEN CITY. ON THE QUESTION OF DEMILITARIZATION AND OTHER SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS, THE KING INDICATED THAT HE WAS OPEN-MINDED.

-- THE SUBJECT OF SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE PALESTINIANS WAS DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH BY HUSSEIN. THE KING SAID HE SUPPORTED IT, BELIEVING THE PALESTINIANS OUGHT TO HAVE THE RIGHT TO SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. FOR HIS PART, HE WAS PREPARED TO LIVE WITH A SEPARATE PALESTINIAN STATE, A JORDANIAN-WEST BANK FEDERATION OR THE PRE-1967 UNITY. HE THOUGHT PALESTINIANS WOULD WANT SOME LINK WITH JORDAN.

THE WISHES OF THE PALESTINIANS COULD BE DETERMINED IN A PROCESS SUPERVISED BY SOME INTERNATIONAL GROUP. THE PRESIDENT EXPLAINED THAT WE DO NOT THINK IT APPROPRIATE FOR THE UNITED STATES TO SEEK TO DEFINE THE NATURE OF A PALESTINIAN HOMELAND OR ITS RELATIONSHIP TO JORDAN, WHICH SHOULD BE DEALT WITH AS PART OF THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS.

-- REGARDING PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION AT A CONFERENCE, HUSSEIN SAID HE WAS PREPARED TO CONSIDER A WIDE RANGE OF POSSIBILITIES. A UNIFIED ARAB DELEGATION WAS PREFERABLE IN HIS VIEW, THOUGH HE RECOGNIZED THE PLO MIGHT INSIST ON A SEPARATE DELEGATION. ON THE STRUCTURE OF A CONFERENCE, HE FAVORED THE CONCEPT OF FUNCTIONAL WORKING GROUPS ON SOME OF WHICH AT LEAST THE ARABS WOULD BE REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE DELEGATION.

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2. FOR TEL AVIV: WE ARE BRIEFING ISRAELIS HERE.

3. FOR DAMASCUS: HOLD FOR AMBASSADOR MURPHY.  
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